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## Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community proposes expansion

**RALEIGH** – Deerfield Episcopal Retirement Community has filed a cost overrun application with the Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation to expand its health care facility in Buncombe County.

A public hearing for this project will be held at 10:30 a.m. on March 7 in the Pack Memorial Library, Lord Auditorium, 67 Haywood St., Asheville.

Deerfield, a continuing care retirement community (CCRC), located at 1617 Hendersonville Road, was approved in February 2007 to construct a health care facility for a total of 62 adult care beds and 62 nursing home beds. Due to changes in design and projected increases in construction costs, Deerfield projects an increased cost of \$9.8 million over the estimated \$65 million estimated cost.

Anyone may file written comments concerning this proposal. Comments must be received by the Certificate of Need Section no later than March 3 at the following address:

Certificate of Need Section Division of Health Service Regulation 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

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